

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Imam et al.
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POLYMERIC COMPOSITES

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The present response is made to the Examiner's Action dated April 19, 2000.

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application. No claims have been canceled. Claims 5, 6, 8-10, and 12-16 have been withdrawn from consideration by the examiner, as being directed to a non-elected species. No claims have been added by amendment hereby. Claims 1-4, 7, and 17-22 have been finally rejected. No claims have been allowed.

Response to Examiner's Objections and Rejections

The Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's withdrawal of the rejection of claim 18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and the Examiner's withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-4, 7, 19, and 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), as being anticipated by Fisher et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,222,561.